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# STATE OF DELAWARE BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE

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PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES: BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE

MEETING DATE AND TIME: Tuesday, June 10, 2014 at 1:00 p.m.

PLACE: 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware

Conference Room A, second floor of the Cannon Building

MINUTES FOR APPROVAL: August 13, 2014

## **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Lynn Nellius, LVT, Vice President Natalie Titus, DVM Erin Whaley, DVM Ann Sellers, Public Member Patricia Ennis, Public Member

# **DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL PRESENT**

Eileen Kelly, Deputy Attorney General Sandra Wagner, Administrative Specialist III

## **MEMBERS ABSENT**

Roberta Jackson, VMD, President Rachel Longfellow, LVT

## ALSO PRESENT

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Ms. Nellius called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

## **REVIEW OF MINUTES**

Dr. Titus made a motion, seconded by Ms. Ennis, to amend the agenda to add the review of the minutes from May 29, 2014 meeting. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

The Board reviewed the minutes of the May 13, 2014 and May 29, 2014 meetings. Dr. Titus made a motion, seconded by Ms. Sellers, to approve both set of minutes. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

There was no old business.

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### **NEW BUSINESS**

## Ratification of Applications of Veterinarian Licensure by Reciprocity

Dr. Whaley made a motion, seconded by Dr. Titus, to ratify the following people for Veterinarian licensure by reciprocity:

Jonathan Van Blarcom Virginia Gillam Debra Offenbacker

Christina Crawford Anne Ireland

By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

# Review of Veterinary Application(s) for Licensure by Examination

Dr. Titus made a motion, seconded by Dr. Whaley, to approve the following person for Veterinary Licensure by examination:

Heather Coleman Jennifer Chapin Kyshee Hoover

Melissa Ogg Jessica Jalbert

By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

## Review of Veterinary Technician Licensure by Examination

Ms. Nellius made a motion, seconded by Dr. Titus, to approve the following Veterinary Technician for Licensure by Examination:

Deanna Lewis

By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

# **Review of Continuing Education Request**

Dr. Titus reviewed the submission of the Continuing Education course from American Holistic Veterinary Medical Association. Dr. Titus made a motion, seconded by Ms. Sellers, to approve a maximum of 21 hours total with all the lectures being approved. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

## Status of Complaints

Complaint 28-13-12 - closed by Attorney General

#### Review of Reinstatement Applications

Ms. Nellius made a motion, seconded by Dr. Titus, to reinstate the Veterinary Technician application of Aurora Sochan. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

#### Correspondence

### AAVSB: Recommendations on Proposed Bylaws Amendments

The Board reviewed the correspondence from the AAVSB: Recommendations on Proposed Bylaws Amendments. No action needed by Board.

# Request for Exam Extension - Lisa Robustelli

The Board reviewed the request sent in by Lisa Robustelli. Ms. Robustelli's request asked the Board if they could grant her an extension to sit for the VTNE due to a family hardship. Even though the Board felt sympathy for Ms. Robustelli's situation, unfortunately the Statute nor the Rules and Regulations have a waiver provision to allow an extension to take the VTNE once the year is up from October 1, 2013 to October 1, 2014. Dr. Whaley made a motion, seconded by Dr. Titus, to deny the request for an extension to sit for the VTNE. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

## OTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD (FOR DISCUSION ONLY)

Ms. Wagner asked how the Board should handle any Veterinarians applying to sit for the exam when the Board will not be meeting in July and the cut off to register for the NAVLE is August 1, 2014. Ms. Wagner wanted to ask if she could have the President of the Board review the application(s) and then the Board could ratify at August's meeting. The Board held a discussion and stated that they had no problem allowing this arrangement since the next Board meeting was until August 12, 2014. Dr. Titus made a motion, seconded by Ms. Nellius, to approve the Board's President to review and grant approval of a Veterinarian requesting to sit the NAVLE for this situation only. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Ms. Kelly gave an update of the case concerning Dr. Weise. The District Attorney's Office and Dr. Weise could not agree on another consent order, so Dr. Weise had a hearing with the Division's Hearing Officer. However the consent for the Controlled Substance Board was not reviewed yet, due to not having a quorum for their meeting for May.

Ms. Kelly discussed with the Board, from their last meeting, about special accommodations while sitting for the NAVLE. Ms. Kelly explained that some of the Boards, Commissions, and Councils allow these special accommodations for applicants. The applicants would need to meet all the requirements set forth in the application from the exam entity. The applicants would then need to submit that with their application for review by the Board. This is how it is done with the other Boards, Commissions, and Councils. There would be no need to add to the statute or the rules and regulations.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

## **NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING**

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, August 12, 2014 at 1:00 p.m. in Conference Room A.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Dr. Whaley made a motion, seconded by Dr. Titus, to adjourn the meeting. The motion was unanimously carried. The meeting adjourned at 2:09 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra Wagner

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Administrative Specialist III

The notes of this meeting are not intended to be a verbatim record of the topics that were presented or discussed. They are for the use of the Board members and the public in supplementing their personal notes and recall for presentations.